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Idaho Winter Wheat Seedings Decrease 5 Percent

Idaho's winter wheat seedings for the 2004 crop are estimated at 720,000 acres, down 5 percent from the 760,000 acres seeded for the 2003 crop, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. This acreage is the smallest area planted to winter wheat in Idaho since 1962.

Nationally, winter wheat planted for harvest in 2004 is estimated at 43.5 million acres. This is down 3 percent from last year. United States Hard Red Winter wheat totaled 31.0 million acres, Soft Red Winter wheat totaled 8.3 million acres, and White Winter wheat totaled 4.2 million acres.

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